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Senate Report

Sophomore Sean Fergus, President of the Gallagher Charitable Society, spoke at the Senate meeting on Monday stating the party for the needy people of the area would be held Saturday, Dec. 14. Fergus commented that he had obtained a list of needy from the Jasper County Welfare Department, and over 500 people had been notified of the event. As of Monday, Fergus estimated that over 200 people will attend the charity event in the ballroom.

The Tri-County React Program donated \$500 to the Society. Fergus said the response from SJC students has been good, but insists that not enough has been done.

"As a whole, we have gotten a rather dismal response from the faculty here, and many of the businesses in town haven't replied to any of the messages that we have left," said Fergus.

Close to \$800 in gifts have been bought for the party, which will feature a breakfast meal and a friendly visit from Santa Claus. Gallagher Dorm Governor Luke Lengerich said that volunteers are still needed for the party. If you are interested, contact Lengerich (Gallagher second), Fergus (Gallagher first) or Matthew Evert (Gallagher third).

Secretary Brian Studebaker reported that the available cable t.v. stations have been prioritized so that there is an awareness of the students' preferences, and noted that Jim Thatcher will continue to see what can be done.

Katie Heinig, day student representative, informed Senate members that her communication committee suggestions were discussed. Heinig stated that members of the Chamber of Commerce have approached her about getting better communication between the campus and the community. Also, she acknowledged that members of the community are ready for better relations.

Bixler wins in landslide

by Stuff staff writers

In what some officials are describing as a landslide victory, juniors Scott Bixler and Sheryl Klemme were elected to serve as president and vice-president of the Saint Joseph's College Student Association for 1992.

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Sophomore Ken Benich was elected to the position of SA treasurer in the Wednesday election, defeating Kara Costa.

Junior Ron Devine ran un-

opposed for the office of SA secretary.

The terms of the newly elected officials will begin on January 1, 1992 and continue for the entire year.

According to Brian Stude-

baker, outgoing SA secretary, the voting turnout was down from last year, with only 400 students casting ballots. He attributed this decline to the fact that there were fewer candidates this year.

SJC crimes to be revealed next year

by Merrill Ruggaber

Since May, the Student Affairs office and Security have been gathering information about crimes on the Saint Joseph's College campus.

The "Student Right-to-Know and Campus Security Act" requires all colleges and universities to gather and publish all crimes reported on campus.

According to William R. Maniscalco, vice president for student affairs, colleges are now required to collect the reports of crimes on campus so that, upon request, students and parents

can see the records.

The main purpose of the system, Maniscalco said, is so that "individuals will be able to judge the relative safety of a campus."

After September 1, 1992, all of the crimes on campus will be published in a local newspaper. Maniscalco emphasized, however, that no names will be used when publishing the crimes in order to protect the students. This decision comes from Saint Joe's own code of ethics when dealing with crimes, as well as the Family Education Rights and

Privacy Act, also known as the Buckley Amendment. The Buckley Amendment requires that student records be kept private.

Colleges across the country will be collecting data until the September publication deadline in order to comply with the FBI's new system. Offenses that will be reported to the government will be those of criminal homicide, forcible rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, larceny-theft, motor vehicle theft and arson.

Maniscalco pointed out that

Saint Joe has been collecting information about crimes in this manner for the past five years. The school has had its own system for three years.

According to Maniscalco, Saint Joe has become more aware of preventing crimes on campus. "I don't think we have much crime on campus....," he said. "[The Act] will focus our attention on prevention. Laws and regulations themselves will not make this a safer campus. Prevention makes this a safer campus."

Literary magazine to be published; cover contest announced

by Lisa Bacliu

Upcoming events on the calendar of *Measure*, the literary magazine of Saint Joseph's College, include the distribution of a new issue next week and a Cover Design Contest in January 1992.

The Fall issue of *Measure* will be distributed free to all students outside the Saint Joe cafeteria during lunch and dinner on December 16 and 17.

The magazine contains approximately 60 pages of short stories, poetry and pictures created by the 25 *Measure* staff members, plus alumni, professors and other student contributors. Editor-in-Chief Elisa Lukas explained the uniqueness of this issue. "The staff decided to include more sketches and pictures in this issue," she said.

"We thought this would add life to the magazine."

The Cover Design Contest begins on January 3, 1992. Interested students should enter a black and white sketch with the name "Measure" and "Fall 1992" located on the cover. Entries may be submitted by February 11 to Elisa Lukas or *Measure* faculty advisor Robert Garrity. The first-place cover will be seen on the Fall 1992 issue, and the winner will receive \$25. The second-place winner will receive \$15, and this cover will be used in the spring of 1993.

Lukas explained that the staff judges the covers for "creativity and originality." She said, "We are looking for a cover that alludes to what *Measure* stands for."



Tom Lelli

Santa Claus, aka Sean Fergus, entertained children at last year's Gallagher Charitable Society Christmas party.



"Elvis in Germany" by Jonathan Michiels

"he will always be with us"



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ARE WE RESPONSIBLE FOR EACH OTHER?

Do you ever wonder why they put Lincoln on the face of a penny? Why did Walter Mondale ever run for President of the United States? Even better, how about those Indianapolis Colts? I mean why do they even try? I guess what I'm getting at is how many really stupid things do we waste our time thinking about. It's really an "old cliché" to be talking about thinking of others during Christmas time. What's it all about anyway? I have been told for the past fifteen or so years, why I should be thinking

by Matthew Nowlin

about those less fortunate than I at the holidays. (I guess that could be Christmas or Chanukkah.) But what is the purpose in thinking about those people for a month or two, then let their memories slip away? In order to fulfill our responsibility to ourselves we must never forget those that have no voice, no food or home, and no sense of themselves as worthy brothers and sisters. Each time we turn away

from these people we turn away from God, we turn away from each other. Dorothy Day has given us an extraordinary example of the fulfillment of the "call" of humanity. She lived with the people to whom she ministered and by doing so on their terms, she stood as testimony to the Gospel that we hold so dear. I DO NOT WANT TO PREACH! But it is important to recognize that without each other we simply cannot exist. We MUST recognize our responsibility and act upon it NOW.

Jon Nowlin



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Security handles open-door policy

by Patty Glennon

Several years ago, many inner-city schools began locking all but one entrance to their buildings during the school day in order to ensure the safety of their students. People who did not belong to the schools then had difficulty entering the buildings and causing trouble. Since then, many suburban and even more rural schools have done the same. Now, Saint Joseph's College security has taken similar steps to protect the safety of many dorm residents.

Security has removed the door handles on the fire exits of Bennett, Noll and Merlini. Handles have also been removed from the east and west wing doors of Justin.

"The reason for the removal of the handles is for the safety of the students," said Ernest Watson, director of security and safety at Saint Joe. "The less entrances a building has, the better the security of the building." Watson said that it is much easier to spot people who do not belong in a dorm if they are forced to use only one entrance.

Watson also said that handles were removed from the doors of Bennett, Noll and Merlini because those doors are fire exits only and are not to be used

as entrances. He explained that several years ago after all the students went home for a vacation, someone broke into Bennett through the fire exit and burglarized one of the rooms.

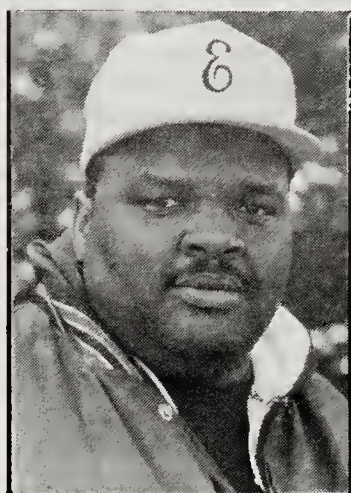
The handles were removed from Justin's wing doors to ensure the safety of the women living there. The dorm has had a serious problem of people tugging the doors open during the night, and Watson wants that stopped. "We're too close to I-65," he said, "and it's been too

"We're a little bit behind," he said, comparing the security of the dorms to dorms of other colleges and universities. "Lots of people think that this is a nice, quiet little place. But we have to take precautions before something happens instead of after something happens."

Next year, Watson would like Saint Joe to go to a key card or a two-key system. With either system, all dorms would be locked at all times. Students would be issued either a key card to enter the dorm or two keys, one to unlock the dorm and one for their room. In either case, students could unlock only the dorm that they live in.

Students can exit the doors that now have no handles at any time. Security will make arrangements to leave these doors open when students move in and out at the beginning and end of the school year. However, Watson strongly urges students not to prop these doors open at any time. "This is all being done for safety," he said.

Handles have not been removed from any doors on Halas or Gallagher because each dorm has only two entrances, and both are used frequently. For similar reasons, handles have not been removed from any of the four entrances at Seifert. The front doors are frequently used because they are close to the Science Building and Halleck Center, and the back doors are often entered from the parking lots.



Ernest Watson

easy for just anyone to come here and get in [to Justin].

BOMBS AWAY!

by Jonathan Michiels

Campus security suspects that a pyromaniac is responsible for the chemical bombs detonated on Dec. 2 and 4 in Noll Hall on the Saint Joseph's College campus.

Saint Joe's director of safety and security, Ernest Watson, feels that the bomber was motivated by a psychological pleasure derived from watching things on fire and hearing loud noises. Watson deducts that the bomber possesses at least a rudimentary knowledge about chemical compounds and their effects.

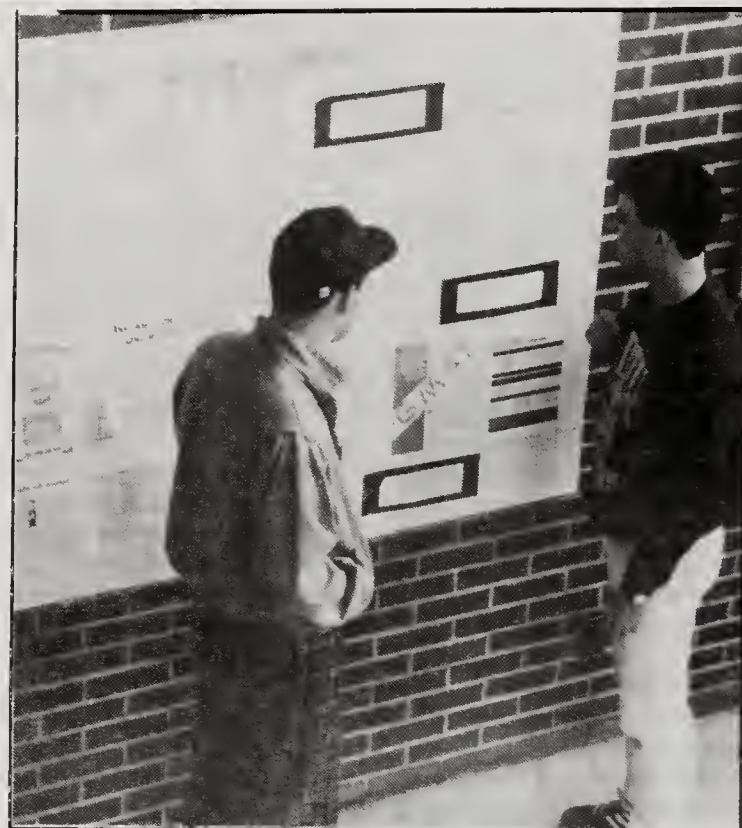
Watson says the handmade bombs were comprised of a liquid drain cleaner and aluminum foil compounds inside of plastic bottles. The mixture caused the bottle to expand slowly as a time delay mechanism. The pressure eventually built up, causing the bottle to explode and sending plastic shrapnel and liquid drain cleaner

into the air. Watson says that the chemical bombs left a foul odor in their wake.

Although Van Malia, the governor of Noll Hall, takes very seriously fires that were set in Noll and Bennett Halls on Dec. 5, the day after the second bombing incident, he feels the furor over the bombing was much ado about nothing. Malia says the residents of Noll Hall were fined \$75.00 plus a disciplinary fee for the bomb episode. The cost of the fine is to be shared among the dormitory's residents regardless of their involvement or non-involvement in the matter.

"It's a shame people let it go on," bemoans Watson, alluding to the people who have information about the incident but do not come forward. A \$200.00 reward has been offered for information that positively identifies those responsible for the chemical bombs and fires.

Great news!! A few choice parts (witness and attorney) remain open for the 1992 Mock Trial team. Join us in the Chapel Basement at 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 7, if you want more information. Also you can call Bill Millar at x6301 or send an e-mail message to "Bill Millar."



Tom Rotkis

Saint Joe students learn of upcoming career opportunities.

Seniors: plan for your future

by Annette Carter

Marcia Burdine, the Career Planning and Placement director, had much to say about upcoming events. Foremost, she wanted to let seniors know that the resume book deadline has come and gone. The deadline which was originally intended for Dec. 2 was extended to Dec. 6. Mrs. Burdine was rather disappointed with the results being that only 36 students participated in a class of 179. Also, there are still a few students who have not established credential files. These are files in which resumes, letters of recommendations, and unofficial transcripts are kept. They are very helpful in that a representative from a company might request these resumes looking for prospective employees.

Mrs. Burdine said that the economy and the job market are presently in bad shape. It would behoove seniors who are looking for employment after school to make themselves as marketable as possible. Career Day and Job Fair will be held on Jan. 29th. It could be used just for informational purposes, or as actively pursuing a job. There will be other on-campus interviews coming up next semester, but before one can participate in them, one must have attended each of the following workshops: resume writing, cover letter writing, and interviewing skills. The

dates for the Spring workshops are as follows:

Jan. 8	1-4p.m.
Jan. 2	2-5p.m.
Feb. 13	9:30a.m.-12:30
Feb. 25	12noon-3p.m.
Mar. 10	2-5p.m.
Mar. 26	9:30a.m.-12:30
Apr. 3	9a.m.-12noon
Apr. 13	12noon-3p.m.
Apr. 23	1-4p.m.

It must be understood that the three hour period reserved includes all three workshops which last approximately an hour each. It is possible to attend only one workshop on one date, and another at a different date. These times were set up for the convenience of the students.

There will also be mock interviews held March 16th, and April 22nd. Selected alumni will "play" the interviewer's role. This is another opportunity to enhance your communication skills.

Finally, Mrs. Burdine wanted to inform seniors that there will be senior mailboxes installed in Halleck at the beginning of next semester. These mailboxes make it easier for the office to put out pertinent information. There will no longer be excuses for not getting data. So, look for those senior mailboxes next semester, and don't be a stranger to the Career Planning and Placement Office. It's located on the third floor of Halleck, and the extension is 6355.



Christmas gift ideas puzzle some SJC students

by Amy Bohney

It is that time again—time to hunt for the perfect Christmas gifts that are still left on the shelves. What to buy, what to buy! Grandma received The Clapper last year, Mom got the Chia Pet, and Dad received five ties...a fish tie, a golf tie and the other three green ties for Christmas.

In almost every family there is at least one person for whom nobody ever knows what to buy. For sophomore Mary Ayoub, her entire family is that way. "They have everything!" she exclaimed.

Her sister is the most difficult for whom to buy. "You try to get my sister anything, and it's yesterday's news; she's already got one, two, or three. She's like the little girl in the Child's World commercial. She'll stand there in the middle of everything and ask, 'What else do I want?'"

Sophomore Gayle Rusbasam's father is the most dif-

ficult for whom to find a present in her family. She explained, "He has no hobbies. A lot of dads play golf or fish. My dad doesn't do anything."

Senior Chris Szyndrowski expressed that his mother's lack of hobbies has also put a damper on his ability to think of a gift for her. Also, "You always want to get your mom something real nice, but you can't because of limited funds," especially while still in college, he said.

"My sisters never tell me what they want," said sophomore Steve Myszak. For him, it is most difficult to come up with an idea for gifts for his sisters. "They say 'It's the thought that counts,' but I still want to get something nice for them."

Myszak believes that his family "doesn't really say what they want" because "...as people get older, gift-getting is not as important." So, when he does not get answers as to what they want

for Christmas, "I look at what type of person they are, and if the gift fits their personality, I buy it."

Szyndrowski does not like to ask people what they want for Christmas. Instead, "I always try to get something that I think they'd like. I like to keep it a surprise."

Junior Renay Montalbano decides what to buy for people by "if it catches my eye and I think the person will like it," or if the gift "...has some meaning behind it."

Rusbasam joked that she tries to be sneaky about finding out what her family and friends would like for Christmas. She said, "I kind of get it out of them discretely, like by saying, 'What the hell do you want from me?'"

Buying the right gift for family members and friends is not the only part of gift-getting about which to worry. Making sure one bought for all the people he/she wanted to buy for is another concern

for students. Right now, "I have at least 10 people to buy for," said Ayoub. "After a while it'll get doubled because I'll think of more people as I run into them."

Procrastination sometimes leaves students shopping on Christmas Eve. Montalbano is one of these students. She said, "I just hate wondering what to buy people. I wait to do everything the last minute." However, she expressed that shopping would have been a lot easier "if we could have gotten out of school about a week earlier, or if I had a car."

Waiting until the last minute is not Szyndrowski's idea of Christmas shopping. Not only are the store's shelves practically empty, but "if you go out the night before Christmas, you think, 'I've got to get something!' If I start the shopping earlier, I think, 'I have time to find the right present.'"

Instead of trying to decide

what to buy for every family member, some families draw names out of a hat. Myszak's family buys gifts for each member in the immediate family, then "we draw names on both sides of the family for cousins, aunts, uncles."

Day student senior Heather Heinig has another family gift-giving tradition. "We don't stress materialistic goals when giving gifts." Many of the gifts given are home-made and "...have family stories behind them." For example, her sister made t-shirts for everybody in the family with their most common sayings on them. "For my mom, she made one that read, 'Wake me up in five minutes...just five more minutes,'" said Heinig.

The tradition in Rusbasam's family is that "the kids make out like bandits. The kids get all the gifts, and the adults give them all, unless they don't have kids; then they get gifts. It's to your advantage to not have kids."

Justin/Halas Christmas Dance judged as a success

by Jennifer Coffman

The annual Halas/Justin Christmas Dance was held on Saturday, December 7, in Saint Joseph College Halleck Center Ballroom. Residents of Halas and Justin Halls sold approximately 160 tickets, which resulted in more than 300 people attending.

Each year the ladies of Justin and Halas organize the dance. Responsibilities include purchasing decorations for the ballroom, hiring a photographer, and, this year, locating a dee jay instead of the usual band.

The hall government in the dorms provide the funding for the expense of the dance. The tickets, which sold for 10 dollars a couple, helped subsidize the money that was spent by Justin and Halas Halls.

Justin Dorm Governor Kim Dryter stated, "This year was excellent. Things were very well organized, and we had great cooperation from Justin and Halas residents. I have received nothing but positive feedback from those who attended. I only hope next year can be just as successful."

Christmas break sought by Saint Joe students

by Audra Bailey

It's the time of the year that we were not expecting to come upon us so fast. The first semester of the year is almost history, with the last week of classes followed by finals yet looming ahead of us. This stressful and frustrating time all of us dread does surprisingly have one positive point. We get a vacation and a chance to start over, since when we return from paradise it will be a new semester. With so much anticipation—not of finals, of course—for Christmas break, many people gladly shared their plans for the time that they have worked so hard for. Whether it be working, shopping, bumming with buddies or just relaxing,

everybody is anxious!

Ryan Perino plans to spend quality time with friends and family he has not seen for awhile. "I'm also going to spend time with my girlfriend, even though I see her everyday as it is."

Jon Cusick also plans to spend at the homefront while he just kicks back and relaxes.

"I will have to Christmas shopping and party with my sister and my high school friends. But I won't get to relax too much because I'll be running and playing in a volleyball tournament," explained Tara Foldenauer, "but I'm really looking forward to the last day of this semester."

Lisa Perez also plans to

get physical over break. "I'll probably run with Tara in effort to get in shape for track season. I also have to counsel Jr. High kids for Snowflake, a prevention program."

Eileen Wodda also has to work during her Christmas break schedule. "I have to spend most of my bread at the movie theater where I work. That includes Christmas Day and New Year's Eve!" Eileen believes in the idea of "anything for money!"

Whether it is work or relaxation, it does not matter because it is not homework at Saint Joseph's College! These hardworking students realize this and will try desperately to enjoy their time off from SJC!



SJC Peer facilitators trained in HIV/AIDS awareness

by Jacquelyn Leonard

Three out of every 1000 college students are estimated to be infected with HIV.

"Saint Joe is fortunate enough to be located in a state that encourages students to teach students about HIV and AIDS," said Chris Zanowski, campus coordinator of the peer facilitator program at SJC.

Saint Joseph's College currently has one peer facilitator who is trained and able to teach others about HIV and AIDS.

Zanowski is presently looking for a female volunteer of freshman or sophomore status who is willing to commit to the program for several years to complete the facilitator duo. Applications can be obtained through the Campus Life office.

The training to become a

peer facilitator includes completing 28 hours of classes taught by the American Red Cross. Two exams must be taken, and students must score over 80 percent. An oral presentation is also required, in which questions must be answered and a passing grade received.

Freshman Brett Byers completed his training in the fall. He said the training was intense. "There was a lot of information over three days. We had over 600 pages of material to learn," he said.

Byers has already begun one-on-one counseling. He has also spoken to his core class about HIV and AIDS. "People don't seem to know a lot about AIDS. Their ignorance is what is ruining things," he said.

Zanowski explained the philosophy of the peer pro-

gram. He said that students rely upon other students for information. "Peer education takes advantage of the influence young people have on each other," he said.

Zanowski and Byers expressed their enthusiasm concerning the program. Plans, thus far, include presentations to the dorms, pamphlet distribution and panel discussions. Already, the program has provided a presentation to the residents assistants in September. They also sponsored a panel discussion of people with AIDS from the Damlen Center in Indianapolis on Nov. 4.

Zanowski expressed, "Peer facilitators are there to help. They are available for group presentations or one-on-one counseling. They are available for almost anything."



Halas decks the halls

by Ange Boos

The ladies of Halas Hall are anticipating Christmas by "decking the halls."

On Wednesday, December 4, the residents of Saint Joseph's College's Halas Hall came together to decorate their three floors for the holiday season.

Each floor was given money from dorm funds to buy decorations, but the majority of the decorations were donated by individual students. Garlands, ribbons, wreaths and fake snow were just a few of the items used for the festive decorating project.

The dorm was completely decorated in only two hours. It was a social party

as well as a hall task. Some of the residents ordered pizza and rented movies in order to make a night of the seasonal festivities.

The first-floor residents of Halas Hall wrote their Christmas wishes on the wall. Lauren Walker, a sophomore, asked Santa to bring her silk boxer shorts from Victoria's Secrets.

"I want a bed with springs," wrote freshman Kristen Dybas.

Halas Hall also has a "Secret Santa" project before finals week and Christmas break.

"It's the Christmas season, and Halas Hall is psyched!" commented freshman Tracie Barton.





Shorts

Tidbits

by Mike Burns

Are you a college senior worried about finding a job when you graduate in May? Do you consider yourself to be somewhat of an authority on exercise and weight control? If you answered yes to both of these questions there might be a job available for you now.

Send your resume, which must prove you know how to lose weight and preserve muscle, to the Washington Bullets of the National Basketball Association (NBA). Be sure to mark it: Care of: Fat John Williams.

Williams is on the list of professional athletes who need to hire personal trainers so they can stay below the weight mandated by their club's management.

William Perry is the most glamorous large person in sports today; it does not bother him much because he plays in the center of the defensive line on a football team. This does not hold true for offensive lineman as Indianapolis tackle Bubba Paris found out last week. He was released two days after allowing the Cleveland Browns' Clay Mathews to continually run by him and sack quarterback Jeff George.

Many of today's NBA players seem to have machine-like bodies. Their intense conditioning prepares them for the rigorous demands made of them on the court. Overweight basketball players do not usually last in the NBA. Mel Turpin could not fight the hamburger urge and ate his way out of the league. Williams may be the next to go. Stanley Roberts of the Orlando Magic has hired a personal trainer and is rumored to be losing weight. The next candidate is Oliver Miller of the Arkansas Razorbacks. His mid-section seems to have grown considerably since last year's NCAA tournament. Miller will enter the NBA draft this year. Anyone looking for a job?

OFF THE CUFF...The AFC looks like it might lose the

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Lady Pumas off to a 5-0 start

by Jennifer Coffman

The Saint Joseph's College women's basketball team is off to an undefeated start with a 5-0 record. These victories were very impressive, with the Lady Puma defense holding their opponents to under 70 points a game.

The 1991-92 season began with a 71-42 victory against Ferris.

Over Thanksgiving break the team participated in two tournaments and won both of them. At the University of Southern Illinois at Edwardsville, the Lady Pumas defeated SIE 84-63. Junior Tia Glass earned Most Valuable Player honors of the tournament. Winona State suffered an 84-54 loss to Saint Joe as senior co-captain Paula Kline was awarded Most Valuable Player of the Winona State tournament.

The next victim of the Lady Pumas was the University of Wisconsin at LaCrosse. They fell 84-48 to the Pumas.

The first home game for the team was December 3rd, and the Lady Pumas put on an impressive display for the home crowd as they defeated IUPUI 101-70.

The 1991-92 Lady Puma roster consists of senior and co-captain: Paula Kline, junior members: co-captain Sloan Haughey, Tia Glass, Sheryl Klemme, Kerry Krapek, Patty Offer, Marian Pack and Lisa Baciu. The team has no sophomores but has four impressive freshman recruits: Diane Phoul-

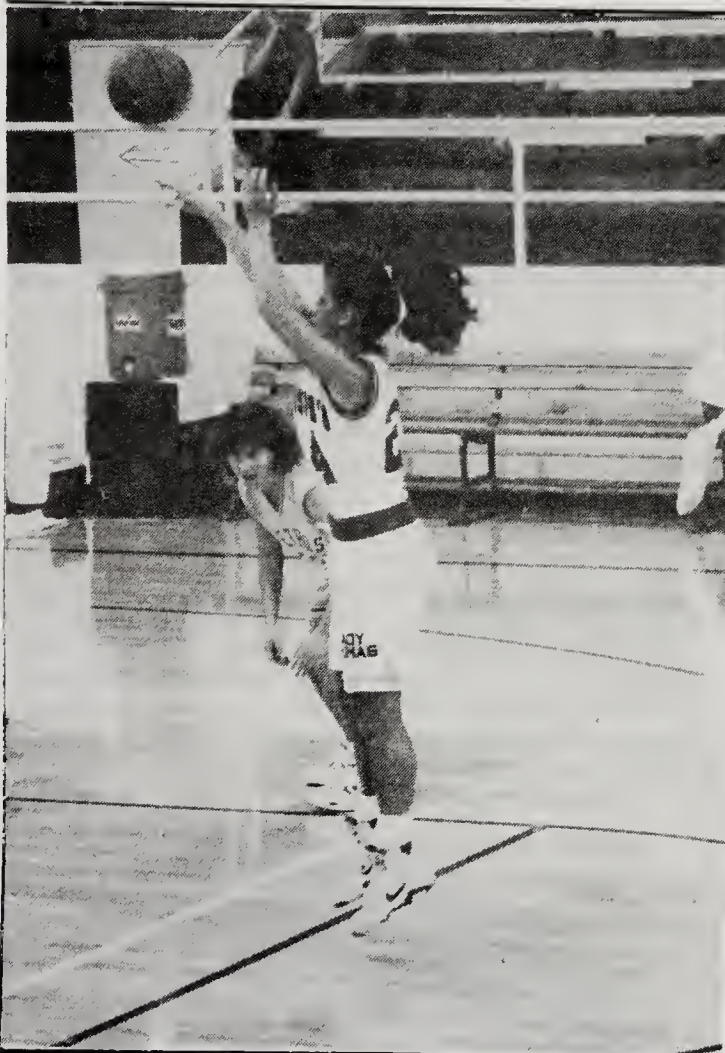
son, Lori Hissong, Carmen Skoog and Sandra Green.

Saint Joe participates in the Great Lakes Valley Conference, and the first conference game is

January 2nd against IP Fort Wayne.

Junior co-captain Sloan Haughey commented on the conference battle. "We lost some

games in conference last year that we shouldn't have, and we're seeking revenge on those teams. Our definite number one goal, however, is to win the conference."



Sheryl Klemme (24) and her perfect shot soar above the defense vs. IUPUI, Dec. 3.

Christopher Thleman

STATISTICS

by Tonya Nickerson

Attention all Puma fans: Come out and watch this year's exciting Lady Puma basketball team. The team is off to a great start, with a record of 5-0. The Lady Pumas are averaging 84.6 points per game and holding their opponents to just 56.4 points a game.

As a team, the Pumas are shooting 47% from the field and 66% from the line. Everyone is contributing greatly to this year's team. Paula Kline, who averages 4.2 steals a game, 6.8 assists and 7.4 points a game, leads the backcourt along with junior Sheryl Klemme (13 ppg.).

The Puma's also have a strong inside game. Sloan Haughey averages 10.4 rebounds. Tia Glass, who is a scoring threat in the middle, averages 15.4 points a game. Also playing inside for the Pumas is junior Lisa Baciu.

Coach Freeman is very pleased with this year's team. "We are playing good solid basketball and we are holding our opponents to just 56.4 points a game and everyone is getting the chance to play," he said. The Pumas also average 38% from 3-point range.

Pumas put a damper on "Laker express"

by Jason Beres

High-scoring, quick-running Purdue-Calumet revamped their team in the off season, bringing in several Division I transfers to bulk up their forces and fight for the NAIA District 21 championship again. But the Pumas blew the Lakers out of the water, beating them at their own game this Tuesday, as they cruised to an easy 94-59 victory, bringing their season record to 3-1. Junior forward Mark Scheidler paved the way for Saint Joe, tallying 20 points on nine-of-11 shooting from the field in just 17 minutes of play. Donnie Riggins and Mike Kosky gunned in 13 apiece, and guard Trent Smith chipped in 10, as did Kevin McGuff.

Head Coach Dan Peters attributes the Pumas' high of-

fensive yield to a hybridized offense. "We are mixing a transition offense with half-court offense. . . In any good offense, you are reading the opponent's defense, because you can run a shuffle or a flex, but you don't get better as a player. What I'm concerned with is improving our players. Right now we are gaining familiarity with what we want to do and reading their defense." This approach has allowed the men to average 88 points per game, while the defense has given up only 67.3 points.

Peters contributes both figures to a good combination of offense and defense, but more so to strong defense. "We try to get two passes ahead defensively, so we're in position to defend against the shot before their play really develops." The defense

bounced back from last week's lapse to foil the potent Laker rapid transit. Their transition game never took off, as they stalled out with a paltry 59 points. In the second half of their game at Grand Valley State Dec. 3, the Pumas allowed 75 percent shooting from the field. Grand Valley overcame a ten-point deficit and handed the Pumas their only loss thus far, 81-61.

Peters feels that "at this stage, we've gotten better with each game," but he also mentions that "We've got players yet that we can get more out of. We can be better individually. I have higher expectations." According to Peters, the Pumas biggest challenge is usually not competition, but "ourselves."

Peters suggests that as a

team, "overall, the players get along really well. . . as a group, they put in a lot of time, effort and hard work," and the players are very supportive of each other. This will definitely be a key for the Pumas if they are to enjoy continued success when they enter conference play.

"We haven't gotten wild, sloppy or greedy. We're now into the 'team' concept. I hope the things I'm trying to stress now kick in when we play with the more physical teams."

Peters expectations are really a vote of confidence in his players. "We're starting to see what's going on out there a little better. Players have to see rhythm and flow. If you can't see, all the other things,

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College bowl games promise excitement

by Mike Burns

The college football bowl season has not lost its lustre, you just need to know where to look for the action. Like last year there will not be a single game which will determine the national championship, yet there are a few very intriguing matchups.

The Rose Bowl is going to have the glamour game this year, with the (11-0) Washington Huskies facing the (10-1) Michigan Wolverines. The Huskies, led by defensive tackle Steve Emtman, boast the number two defense in the country. They have allowed an average of 67.1 yards rushing per game, second in the country to Clemson. Michigan, led by Ricky Powers' 107.9 yards per game, is averaging 246 yards rushing per game. Greg Skrepanik anchors a very solid Michigan offensive line.

The pre-game hype is going to focus on two valuable wide receivers. Desmond Howard of Michigan and Mario Bailey of Washington.

Howard's sensational play this season will probably gain him the Heisman trophy this weekend. In 11 games he has caught 61 passes for 950 yards, an average of 15.5 yards per catch. He scored 22 touchdowns on receptions and one on a punt return versus Ohio State. Howard was second in the country in

punt return average at 17.4 yards per return.

Mario Bailey's statistics warrant a look before the kickoff: In 11 games, Bailey has caught 62 passes for 1037 yards, an average of 16.7 yards per catch. Seventeen of his catches went for touchdowns.

The quarterbacks for the two teams are Billie Joe Hobert for the Huskies and Elvis Grbac for the Wolverines. Both quarterbacks have had good years statistically: Hobert has thrown for 2271 yards this season, while Grbac has thrown for 1955 yards and led the country's quarterback rating system in the regular season.

Notre Dame fans need to be concerned with their game versus the Florida Gators in the Sugar Bowl. Notre Dame can gain back some pride with a win over the Gators, but may have to eat crow if they lose their fourth game of the year. Florida is capable of embarrassing any team which is not prepared to play. The Gators are in the top 10 against the run, allowing 107 yards per game. They also have a ferocious pass rush, one that harassed Florida State's Casey Weldon all game long in the Gator victory over the Seminoles.

Florida's offense is centered around its quarterback, Shane Mathews. Mathews underwent

arthroscopic knee surgery at the beginning of December and the Florida coaching staff is optimistic that Mathews will be able to play on New Year's Day. Mathews threw for 27 touchdowns and over 3000 yards this year.

The Orange Bowl, featuring the Miami Hurricanes versus the Nebraska Cornhuskers is an interesting contrast of styles. Miami's Gino Torretta likes to throw the bomb and the Cornhuskers like to grind it out on the ground. Nebraska led the entire country with an average of 363 yards rushing per game. The Hurricanes' Kevin Williams is a potent weapon; he can catch the deep pass and is especially dangerous on punt returns. He returned three punts for touchdowns this season.

Another game featuring contrasting styles is going to take place in the Cotton Bowl. Casey Weldon, with his pass-receiving running backs- Amp Lee and Edgar Bennett -will lead the Florida State Seminoles against the Aggies from Texas A & M. Bucky Richardson leads the Aggie wishbone offense. Richardson passed the ball only 141 times during the regular season yet he connected on half his attempts and averaged 20 yards per completion.

Florida State, reeling from

its losses to Miami and Florida, is going to be facing a defensive power in the Aggies. Texas A & M is the team that dislocated both of Ty Detmer's shoulders in last year's bowl game. This year they can boast of the number one defense in the country. During the regular season they allowed 228 total yards per game.

Two fierce linebackers will be playing in the Cotton Bowl. Marvin Jones of Florida State and Quentin Coryatt of Texas A & M are two defensive players to keep an eye on in this game.

The New Year's Day Fiesta Bowl will be a matchup of Notre Dame conquerers, Tennessee and Penn State. Andy Kelly leads a potent Tennessee passing attack while Tony Sacca does the same for the Nittany Lions. Penn State is fourth in the country in yards given up while the Volunteers are twelfth in the country. This game features many talented players at the offensive 'skilled' positions and might turn out to be one of the most entertaining bowl games.

There might not be a clear-cut champion on January 2, but college football fans will have the opportunity to see some fantastic talent showcased on New Year's Day. Have a New Year's Day party, tune in early, and make sure you have the remote control in your possession.

a tight end, was named to the second team. His season compilation of 27 catches for 335 yards not only earned him a second team berth, but his 335 yards placed him at the top of the list for the Pumas this season.

In addition to McWilliams, sophomore Russ Thomason place-kicked his way to a second team award. With an 86% success rate for field goal attempts and an 87% success rate for extra point kicks, Thomason played a key offensive role.

The third second team selection from Saint Joseph's College was Harry Vinegar. Vinegar, a junior tailback, rushed for a Puma-best 882 yards, with the most receptions on the team with 30.

Four other players were lauded for their performance with honorable mentions. These were: Scott Evans, senior defensive lineman; Jason Garrett, senior offensive lineman; Jason Nutter, junior defensive back; and Rueben Seals, sophomore defensive back.

rates figured the price tag on Bonds would be too high this time next year and they promptly put him on the trading block.

All-Conference Puma gridders

An SJC Sports Release

Several Puma gridders were recognized for their outstanding contribution to the game this season when the Midwestern Intercollegiate Football Conference named its all-conference teams for this year in the winter meetings held at Hillsdale College of Michigan on December 3.

Senior Matt Brace, who has had a prolific career as a linebacker for the Pumas, was named to the all-conference first team. He was third in the conference in tackles, a performance that reflected his perseverance and dedication to the Puma football program over the last four years.

Junior Darrel McWilliams,

Lindros?...Baseball sure is changing with all the money being thrown around. With the competitive free agent market, players are changing rosters at a rate that is hard to keep up with....Darryl Strawberry said at this time last year that he hoped Eric Davis could join him in Los Angeles....Strawberry must really have some pull. I still find it hard to believe the Reds traded Davis to the arch-rival Dodgers!....Team loyalty seems to be gone from the minds of the players and management. The most striking example was the recent episode where Carlton Fisk had to swallow his pride while losing thousands of dollars because the White Sox knew he did not want to leave town....The Pittsburgh Pirates offer a pitiful example of ineptness in the fight to keep their superstars in the fold. Instead of giving a big contract to Bobby Bonilla, they decided to save their money and sign Barry Bonds because he 'can do more things on a baseball field'. After Bonilla signed a five-year \$29 million contract with the Mets, the Pi-

Schedule

December Sports

3 Women's Basketball vs. IUPUI, 7 pm.

Men's Basketball at Grand Valley State

10 Women's Basketball at Huntington

Men's Basketball vs. Purdue-Calumet

14 Men's Basketball at IUPUI

21 Men's Basketball at Quincy College

27-28 Men's Basketball at Purdue-Calumet Tournament

Men's Hoops

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you can't get to."

For the game, Harry Perry paced the team with eight boards. Damone White dished out five assists, and defensively the Pumas forced 29 Laker turnovers, stealing the ball 13 times.

In four games, the team is shooting a fantastic 58.2 percent for two-point field goals, and 41.9 from downtown. Scheidler leads the Puma marksmen with a 15.5 points per game average, followed by Kosky (11.8), Smith (11.3), and McGuff (10.0). Scheidler is also 18 of 22 from the charity stripe and leads Saint Joe with 6.5 rebounds.

Depth has been a key to the Pumas' success thus far. In only 40 minutes of play, sophomore Mark Brown has scored 32 points, shooting 73% from the field (11-15) and 83% from the line (10-12). Sophomore Bob Sheridan has put up similar figures, scoring 22 points in only 14 minutes of play. This pair of big men may crack the starting lineup before they inherit that status next season.

Peters has been highly pleased with the student turnout thus far, and forwards his appreciation to the student body. He wants the student body to feel that the team is going to represent Saint Joe well, and asks that we continue our support.

The Pumas will compete in their first conference matchup Saturday, December 14, as they face IUPUI in Indianapolis.

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Super Bowl again this year. Buffalo needs a kicker and their defense is suspect if Bruce Smith is not in there. Denver looks good, and their pass rush has improved. Maybe this year the Broncos can....If the Broncos are involved the network carrying the game might offer to give it up at half-price....George Foreman truly punished 'former Raider' Jimmy Ellis on Saturday night. Did that guy ever play in a game for the Raiders?...When are the San Antonio Spurs going to get a legitimate point guard? Will Rod Strickland play this year? How about Sherman Douglas of the Miami Heat?...Dikembe Mutombo would probably go higher in the NBA draft if the teams were able to choose again....Every time Orlando Woolridge has joined a team, the winning percentage of that team has been lower than the previous year. Can the (9-11) Detroit Pistons play .500 basketball this year?...Why don't the Quebec



Black or White : A "must-see" video

by Annette Carter

Black or White premiered on MTV Dec. 7, 1991 at 7:25. The anticipation was overwhelming as I waited to see what new hit Jackson had come up with.

The video started off with the new and rising actor Macaulay Culkin blasting a guitar really loud. The young actor portrayed the son of Cheer's star George Wendt better known as Norm. The father became really angry and scolded the little boy for the boisterous music. In an act of

vengeance against his father, the boy set his speakers to a point of absurdity. The music sent the father through the roof into another world. At this point, the song Black or White was begun.

There are probably only a few left who haven't seen it. It's a must see video. Why? It's filled with excitement, fun, energy, and vivid colors. People of diverse nationalities were shown giving one just a taste of cultures. There were many exotic dancers, and the music

seemed to have more of a rock tone to it. There was a surprising little twist to the music. It included a verse of rap. At first it was strange because it was a song by Michael Jackson (he was not the rapper), but then again rap is one of the newest styles of happening music. Also, the famous comic sensation Bart Simpson made an appearance at the end of the video.

As for the three to five minute solo dance performance near the end, I can only say that it was Dangerous.



Karen Young, Heather Rhodes, Diane Jennings and Courtney Meyers admire their award-winning Christmas tree decoration. Counseling Services won the award for the funniest decoration.

New Releases

(College Press Service)



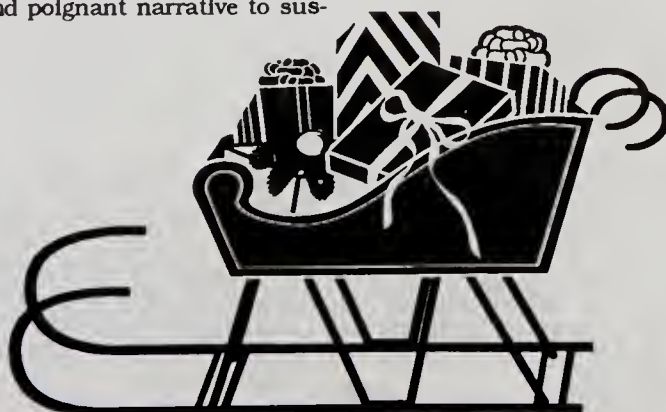
THE ADDAMS FAMILY

From the pages of "The New Yorker" to the big screen comes this delightful recreation of the humorously macabre family created by cartoonist Charles Addams. The film is perfectly cast with Anjelica Huston as Morticia and Raul Julia as Gomez who lead their wierd clan in black comedy escapades. Some jokes falter and the pace occasionally slows. But the game actors keep the ghoulish pot boiling and it's a pleasing antidote to the "have a nice day" crowd. (PG-13) GOOD COMEDY DIR-Barry Sonnenfeld LEAD- Anjelica Huston RT-102 mins. (Mild Profanity)

FOR THE BOYS

Bette Midler, belting out sentimental songs and firing wise-cracks, dominates this sprawling, glitzy musical drama that spans 50 years and three wars through Vietnam. The ambitious production often creaks, but there are plenty of rousing moments, appealing characters and poignant narrative to sus-

tain buoyancy. The plot follows the rocky relationship of a song-and-dance team (Midler and James Caan) who entertain the troops through USO-sponsored tours. (R) GOOD MUSICAL DRAMA DIR-Mark Rydell LEAD-Bette Midler RT-148 mins. (Profanity)



Don't miss it! Have your TV dial tuned to channel 6 for the reopening of classic "Out of Class" episodes during the week of December 8-12! All 8 episodes will air at 3:00, 7:00, and 7:30 pm with the newest episode (the 9th) closing down this great week of programming for WPUM-TV6 on Thursday, December 12 at 3:00 pm.

Christmas Mass is Monday

by Merrill Ruggaber

The annual campus Christmas mass will be Monday, December 16.

The choir will begin singing at 9:30 p.m. and mass will begin at 10:00.

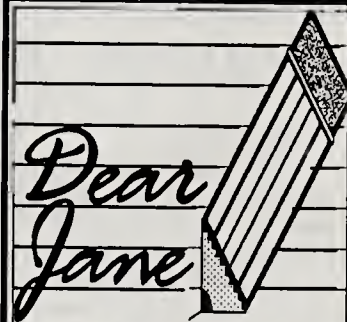
The mass will begin with a proclamation given by Diane Hebert. At the end of the mass, there will be a lighting of candles followed by refreshments in the Chapel basement.

Father Tom Brenberger will be the celebrant.

CAPE FEAR

Director Martin Scorsese adds stylish flourishes to this remake of the 1962 classic film noir. The results are spectacular.

Performances are uniformly impressive too: Robert De Niro as the clever ex-con rapist who terrorizes the family of the lawyer (Nick Nolte) who failed to keep him out of prison; Juliette Lewis as the rebellious teen daughter; Jessica Lange as the perplexed wife; and nifty cameos from Robert Mitchum, Gregory Peck and Martin Balsam, all from the original film. Intense, potent horror fare. (R) GREAT HORROR DIR- Martin Scorsese LEAD- Robert De Niro RT- 123 mins. (Profanity)



Dear Jane,

I need to find a method of birth control that I know my boyfriend and I will use. But, I'm afraid to go on the pill. Do you know the side effects of the pill? Or do you know a good method?

Seeking Birth Control

Dear Seeking Birth Control,

The best method of birth control is abstinence, however, we must face the facts that people are having sex. The birth control pill is 99% effective and simple to use. Once you start taking birth control pills you simply take the pill everyday at the same time. If you miss a pill take it as soon as you remember. It is also normal to miss periods or for your periods to be lighter. However, if you do go on the pill and miss more than one period you should see a doctor.

Some of the side effects of the pill are nausea, weight gain (often due to fluid retention), mild headaches, spotting between periods, and changes in menstrual period (periods do become shorter and lighter). Some warning symptoms of serious problems are severe abdominal pain, severe chest pain, severe headaches, eye problems, severe depression, or yellowing of the skin. All of these side effects sound really bad but usually they do not occur.

The birth control pill is overall a safe and reliable method. If you choose to go on the pill just be sure to take it daily at the time you started taking the first time and look for side effects. If you have any more questions you can call Planned Parenthood at 769-3525.

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